

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JIM ELLIOTT**, on April 13, 2005 at 8 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Elliott, Chairman (D)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)
Sen. Ken Toole (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jon Ellingson (D)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kathleen Ely, Committee Secretary
Lee Heiman, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SJ 33, 4/11/05
Executive Action: HB 410, HB 584

00:00:09

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 410

Motion/Vote: SEN. ELLIOTT moved to RECONSIDER THE MOTION on HB 410. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ELLIOTT moved that HB 410 BE AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ELLIOTT moved that HB 410 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried 7-4 by roll call vote with SEN. BLACK, SEN. ESSMANN, SEN. GEBHARDT, and SEN. STORY voting no. SEN. ELLINGSON and SEN. SCHMIDT voting aye by proxy.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 584

Motion/Vote: SEN. ELLIOTT moved to RECONSIDER THE MOTION TO TABLE HB 584. Motion carried 6-3 by voice vote with SEN. BLACK, SEN. ESSMANN, and SEN. GEBHARDT voting no.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ELLIOTT moved that HB 584 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried 6-5 by roll call vote with SEN. BLACK, SEN. ESSMANN, SEN. GEBHARDT, SEN. GILLAN, and SEN. STORY voting no. SEN. ELLIOTT, SEN. ELLINGSON and SEN. SCHMIDT voting aye by proxy.

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HEARING ON SJ 33

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. DAN WEINBERG (D), SD 2, opened the hearing on SJ 33, Study types of subsurface interests that have been severed from surface interest.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:20:15 Jeff Barber, Montana Environmental Information Center

00:21:51 Glenn Opal, Montana Association of Realtors

00:22:11 Michele Reinhart, Northern Plains Resource Council

Opponents' Testimony:

00:23:17 **Patrick Montalban, Northern Montana Oil and Gas
Association**

Informational Testimony: None.

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Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:30:42

Closing by Sponsor:

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 8:36 A.M.

SEN. JIM ELLIOTT, Chairman

KATHLEEN ELY, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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